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For: BUCKLER ASSEMBLY HAVING A DRIVE LEADER  
SENSOR IN A TAPE DRIVE  
By: James J. KUHAR  
Our reference: 24921-20233.00

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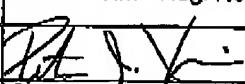
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated July 2, 2004 (Part of Pater No./Mail Date 06282004), for which a response is due on October 2, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.